

## Progressive List to fight ban

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The Arab-Jewish Progressive List for Peace will appeal to the Supreme Court against Monday's decision by the Central Elections Committee not to allow the list to contest the July 23 Knesset elections. Heads of the list yesterday said they expected the appeal to be lodged after they receive the minutes of the committee meeting.

A letter sent by the committee's chairman, Justice Gavriel Bach, to Uri Avnery, co-chairman of the list, states that it was disqualified because the committee found that it does include "subversive elements and tendencies, and key persons on the list act in identification with enemies of the state."

The letter adds: "A majority of the committee was persuaded that the party advocates principles that endanger the integrity and existence of the State of Israel, and the preservation of its uniqueness as a Jewish state in accordance with the basic foundations of the state as these are expressed in the Declaration of Independence and the Law of Return."

Appeals against the committee's decision must be submitted not later than next Sunday and the Supreme Court must rule not later than July 1.

The law does not explicitly empower the committee to disqualify a list for other than technical reasons, e.g. insufficient or inadmissible signatures.

But the committee's disqualification of Rabbi Meir Kahane's Kach list on Sunday and of the Progressive List on Monday has a precedent.

In 1965, the Socialist List (including elements of the outlawed Nasserist al-Ard organization) appealed a similar disqualification.

The Supreme Court ruled, by majority vote (Justice Haim Cohn dissented) that the committee may ban a list if it considers it a danger to democracy.

Progressive List members were bitter yesterday about the conduct of Monday's eight-hour meeting. Avnery charged that the only proof brought against the list was "confidential" General Security Services material. He said no one had said who on the list was subversive, or in what way they were alleged to be so.

Avnery noted that the list's platform, calling for a Palestinian state

to be set up next to Israel in the areas conquered by Israel in 1967, was identical to that on which he had in the past entered the Knesset.

Aluf (res.) Mattityahu Peled, No. 2 on the list, said that if the GSS had had anything concrete against the list, those concerned would have been jailed. He challenged the GSS to make public even one of the charges in the secret document.

In Haifa, list head Mohammed Miarri objected to a statement against him by Aluf (res.) Avigdor Ben-Gal which had been cited in the committee meeting. Ben-Gal had clamped a six-month confinement order on Miarri, the Arab lawyer-politician claimed, because he urged a meeting of Arab leaders to call a general strike in protest against the attacks on the West Bank mayors in 1980. Ben-Gal had termed the Arabs "a cancer on the body politic," Miarri told *The Jerusalem Post*. "Such a man's opinion should not have been accepted by the committee," Miarri said.

Contrary to yesterday's report, Yigal Hurvitz's Omert list voted to disqualify the list, together with the Likud, the National Religious Party, Agudat Yisrael, Tcheiya, and Tami.



A group of 37 war orphans celebrating their bar and bat mitzvot visit a submarine in Haifa port as guests of the Israel navy yesterday. They were greeted by Navy Commander Aluf Ze'ev Almog. (Camera 2)

## Public sector work accord likely tomorrow

By ROY ISACOWITZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A public sector work agreement is likely to be signed by tomorrow, despite the continuing differences between the Histadrut and the Treasury, Histadrut sources said last night.

Participants from both sides expressed "cautious optimism" after yesterday's meeting at Histadrut headquarters here. The talks will resume today at midday. Histadrut officials have said that the public sector could erupt in strikes and sanctions next week if an agreement is not concluded by the end of this week.

The Finance Ministry announced yesterday that it will adjust income tax brackets upwards by 80 per cent of May's inflation rate. This will mean that part of the 10-per-cent wage increment to be paid to workers in early July will go to the tax authorities. The net salary increase therefore will be lower than the increment.

The Treasury added that it still wants to negotiate with the Histadrut about future tax bracket adjustments. According to some reports the ministry wants to adjust tax brackets quarterly in keeping with the full inflation rate, and make partial adjustments in months when the C-o-L allowances are paid.

The talks moved temporarily to Jerusalem last night when a committee consisting of the representatives of each side ran the various wage scale proposals through the government computer. The results of the computer tests will be presented at the meeting today.

Both sides reported progress after yesterday's long session, though there are still substantial differences between them regarding wages and other matters. The Histadrut is reportedly insisting that wages rise by an average 28 per cent, but is willing to compromise on the distribution of

the increase within the wage scale.

The cost to the government of the total increase could differ considerably according to the dates on which the increase is paid and whether it is paid retroactively. Under certain conditions, one Histadrut source said, a 28-per-cent average rise will only cost the Treasury some 18 per cent.

Three separate wage scales, based on the existing grade structure but with different dates of payment, were run through the computer last night. Two of the tables were proposed by the Histadrut and one by the public sector employers. In addition to the differences over distribution of the rise, the sides also reportedly differ over whether the cost to the Treasury should be spread over one or two years.

The size of the increase is not the only disagreement regarding the new wage scale. The Treasury yesterday opposed the Histadrut's demands that two extra years seniority be added to the ceiling this year and another two next year, to bring the seniority ceiling to 34, and that nine extra grades be added to the scale.

The Treasury insisted that only two new grades could be added, arguing that now is not the time to make such changes, and that extra grades could harm pensioners. A Histadrut source said last night that he expected a compromise of five new grades.

Other problems that have not yet been solved are the margins available for individual union negotiations, and the establishment of a mechanism to solve future disagreements between the two sides.

One crucial disagreement could still torpedo the talks: the Histadrut's demand that tax brackets, welfare points and child allowance be revised at a rate of 100 per cent whenever the cost-of-living increment is paid. The Treasury objects (Continued on page 7)

## Shamir: No need for action against Sharon

Jerusalem Post Staff

Prime Minister Shamir yesterday appeared to downplay the significance of Minister Without Portfolio Ariel Sharon's move in transferring the contents of two classified documents to his attorneys in New York.

Sharon did so to help them prepare his libel suit against *Time* magazine, which in February 1983 alleged that Sharon encouraged the Phalangist September 1982 to avenge the assassination of their leader, Bashir Gemayel.

The two documents relate to Sharon's condolence visit to the Gemayel family at Bikfaya in Lebanon, where the revenge where plans were allegedly discussed.

Commenting on speculation that Shamir wanted to remove the matter from the limelight on the eve of the elections, political sources noted that Shamir and Sharon have recently been cooperating despite their previous differences.

The sources reported that Sharon's "feeling" yesterday was that Sharon's action was "not so serious."

They explained it was "practically clear" that the information passed on to the lawyers had already appeared in public so the severity of his action was "not so great" and "there is no place for taking action."

They said that so far Shamir is not known to have discussed the matter with Sharon personally, but that he will no doubt do so. His feeling that the matter was not as serious as the press had made it out to be was based on an "examination" of the matter, the sources reported.

MK Ya'acov Tzur said the dismantling of settlements in Sinai, brought about by the Likud, made it necessary for the Alignment to state in its platform that settlements on the Golan Heights and elsewhere will not be dismantled under any circumstances.

He added that settlers in the north

and in the Jordan Valley have expressed the view that an Alignment victory would provide a push for settlement and development in their areas, which have suffered because of the Likud's emphasis on settlement in Judea and Samaria.

Peres said he believes the voters are disgusted with efforts to turn the election campaign into a fight between Ashkenazim and Sephardim or religious and non-religious, and he believes that this campaign will deal with the real issues.

He said he finds voters more willing to listen, and more concerned about the country's future, than in the past, and he hopes they will give the Alignment a clear enough mandate so that it is not dependent on the whims of small parties.

Sources in Jerusalem last night said however that Shamir's hesitance to call Sharon to task over the issue "won't last forever," indicating that (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

## Syria negotiates pact among Lebanon factions

BEIRUT. — Lebanon's latest peace plan has sparked a glimmer of hope among war-weary Lebanese of a respite from violence that Prime Minister Rashid Karami's seven-week-old national unity cabinet has so far failed to check.

But it is not yet clear if the accord hammered out on Monday by Syrian Vice-President Abdul-Halim Khaddam with Lebanese Christian and Muslim ministers will fare better than earlier efforts to end the country's civil war.

Clashed erupted Monday night between Muslim and Christian forces on the Green Line dividing Beirut only hours after the accord was reached, but the frontlines were quiet yesterday.

The "Bikfaya Accord," named after President Amin Gemayel's

home village where Khaddam met the president and top Lebanese politicians, aims at reuniting the fragmented national army and ending months of fighting in and around Beirut, a cabinet minister told Reuters.

Other government sources told AP that under the agreement a four-man committee of Maronite Catholic Druse, Shiite and Sunni Muslim officers was to ready a plan for the cabinet on reuniting the army, which split along sectarian lines during fighting last September and February.

The Lebanese cabinet is expected to consider the plan at a meeting Thursday.

Christian members of the army's Sixth Brigade would return to posts (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6)

## Two IDF soldiers wounded in Nabatiya shooting

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Two Israeli Defence Forces soldiers were lightly wounded by small-arms fire yesterday morning in Nabatiya. They were hospitalized in Haifa's Rambam Hospital.

Reuters reported that a seven-year-old boy, Hassan Ali Khalil, was killed by IDF fire in the Nabatiya incident. The agency said local residents had told of the killing.

Military sources in South Lebanon last night denied the Reuters report. They said that IDF troops had returned fire at the roof of the building from which fire had been directed against them, but that in a search of the area afterwards no injured civilians were found.

Following the Reuters report, a

senior IDF officer went to the scene of the incident to investigate. He reported that the mother of the boy told him that her son had been standing by the window during the exchange of fire and had been grazed by bullets on his leg, hand and stomach.

The mother said she had taken her child to a hospital, where she had been told that the boy would be released today, according to the officer.

AFP reported yesterday that pamphlets distributed at the Ein Hilwe refugee camp near Sidon claimed that a 17-year-old girl had been executed Sunday by a "people's tribunal" on charges of being an Israeli spy.

Military sources yesterday said they knew of no such execution.

## 25-year sentence for failed bombings

LOD (Itim). — The Lod Court yesterday sentenced a terrorist who made two unsuccessful attempts to set off a bomb at a Kfar Sava school-ground to 25 years in prison. His accomplice was sentenced to 15 years.

The main defendant, Abdul Rahman Tum, 34, confessed to being a member of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Tum, a resident of Kalkilya, twice tried to put a bomb he made in the yard of the Brenner School in Kfar Sava. The second time the bomb went off in his hand and blew off his right arm.

Nabil Nufal, 26, also of Kalkilya, was Tum's driver and helped in the terror attempts, but did not actively participate and was not a member of the terrorist organization.

Defence attorney Walid Fahoum argued that Tum had already been sufficiently punished since no one but him had been hurt. Fahoum also noted that the houses of both defendants had been sealed.

In his verdict, Aluf Mishne Aharon Alpern, the president of the court, said perpetrators of acts of terror intended to harm civilians must be given sentences that can serve as a deterrent to others contemplating such actions.

Tum said he did not accept the court's right to judge him. "I do not recognize a court of the people responsible for the murder at Sabra and Shatilla and at Ein Hilwe," he said.

## IDF and Sixth Fleet to hold joint exercise

Post Defence Reporter  
The Israeli Defence Forces and the U.S. Sixth Fleet are expected to conduct a joint exercise this week, involving evacuation of U.S. servicemen to Israeli hospitals. Israeli and U.S. sources refused to discuss details of the exercise.

## Aridor involvement in Ciskei 'likely to harm Israel'

By ROY ISACOWITZ

TEL AVIV. — Israeli commercial involvement in Ciskei has increased dramatically in recent months, despite the government's refusal to recognize the black homeland, which was granted "independence" by South Africa several years ago.

Among those with commercial interests in Ciskei is former finance minister Yoram Aridor, who visited Ciskei recently and is reported to have signed contracts for the establishment of two factories there. At least two other Likud Knesset members, including a deputy minister, are also believed to have invested in the homeland. Another regular visitor to Ciskei recently has been Ruth Dayan.

In a telephone interview with *The Jerusalem Post* last night, Israel's ambassador in Pretoria Elihu Lankin condemned Aridor's involvement saying that Aridor's, "as a former minister, knows very well that Israel has no diplomatic relation with Ciskei." While such involvement is not forbidden, Lankin said, it is "likely to hurt Israeli interests."

Lankin added that he had been

under the impression that Aridor had made a private visit to South Africa, and was surprised to hear that he had paid a business visit to Ciskei.

Lankin stressed that the Israeli involvement in Ciskei is entirely private and has no connection with the Israeli government. However, one of the companies carrying out development projects in the homeland is the state-owned Agridev agricultural development company.

In addition, there have been persistent reports from European sources that Ciskei President Lennox Sebe signed weapons and military assistance agreements with the Israel government during a 1982 visit to Israel. These reports were confirmed several months ago by General Taliaferro Minaar, Sebe's former military adviser, who said in an interview that he had accompanied the Ciskei president to Israel "on an arms buying mission." Israeli spokesmen have persistently denied the reports.

Fifteen Ciskei pilots have been in Israel for the past eight months, training to fly light planes at a private Herzliya flying school. School head

Ira Kertis told *The Post* that the pilots are training to fly commercial planes and that his contract with the Ciskei government has no military connotations.

Kertis has been indicted in the U.S. for false representation on export documents. The charge evidently concerns two light planes bought by Kertis in the U.S., which local authorities believed were destined for Israel, but were in fact destined for Ciskei.

Kertis told *The Post* yesterday that he had been acting as an agent for a German company in the deal, and that company officials neglected to request export licences. The matter is "very minor," he said.

Most of the commerce between Israelis and Ciskei is carried out through the Ciskei Trade Mission, based in Tel Aviv. Office head Yosef Schneider, an immigrant from the Soviet Union, claims that he and his partner Nat Rosenwasser are employees of the Ciskei Foreign Ministry.

Among the construction and investment projects organized by the Trade Mission are the building of a hospital and two schools in Ciskei by

the Israeli Gur Construction Company. Other projects are the construction of a textile factory, with investment by the Israel Discount Bank, and educational and agricultural development projects run by Degan Systems and Agridov, operating through a local subsidiary Agricarmel.

In addition, at least 13 Israeli doctors and their families are working (Continued on page 7)



Yoram Aridor. (Sven Nackstrand)

## Attaches caught filming IDF base

Jerusalem Post Staff

Two Western military attaches were yesterday caught taking pictures near an Israeli military base. The incident has been taken up by the Foreign Ministry for further diplomatic treatment. Koi Yisrael reported late last night.

According to the broadcast, the British military attaché and the assistant military attaché of Italy were seen by an Israeli civilian taking pictures near an IDF base near Tel Nof.

The civilian called the police who arrived on the scene and demanded the attaches' film. The attaches locked themselves in their car.

A compromise was eventually reached whereby the attaches burnt the film by exposing it to the light and then were allowed to drive off.

The incident, according to the radio report, was then referred by the police and military authorities to the Foreign Ministry department which deals with liaison with military attaches.

## Alignment election platform plays down Golan Heights

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The main difference between the 1984 Alignment platform and former party manifestos is that this time no explicit mention is made of territorial compromise on the Golan Heights.

Outlining the platform to the press yesterday, chairman Shimon Peres said he saw no realistic possibility of negotiations with the Syrians in the foreseeable future. Should the Syrians be ready to negotiate, Peres said, an Alignment-led government would go into the talks without prior conditions.

But the Alignment will launch

peace initiatives on the Lebanese, Jordanian and Egyptian fronts if it forms the next government, Peres said.

In connection with Lebanon, he said, people ask the Alignment the wrong question and therefore are given the wrong answer. The question is always, "When will the IDF withdraw from Lebanon?" But it should be, "When will security arrangements be completed to protect Israel's northern border?"

Peres believes such arrangements could be completed within a few months because of the Alignment's policy of "portable defense" which

sees southern Lebanon as "a flexible area for maneuvering." Israel should reserve the right to return to southern Lebanon to flush out terrorists if they come back. Once security arrangements are made, the IDF can be withdrawn, he said.

Peres said territorial compromise with Jordan is a price for peace, not an end in itself. He believes that initial temporary agreements with Jordan will be functional rather than territorial, since there are many possibilities for federative arrangements and other types of cooperation.

An Alignment government would propose negotiations with Jordan either on the basis of UN resolutions

342 and 338, or with no prior conditions on either side.

"The Likud claims there is no one to negotiate with, but in the next breath they say Hussein wants to negotiate with the Alignment," Peres said. "They should decide which of these formulations is correct. You can't run an election campaign with that kind of internal inconsistency."

An Alignment government would propose to Egypt that both sides cancel their models of the autonomy, since these have led to a stalemate in the talks, and start autonomy talks afresh.

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**U.S. Kfir deal impending**

Post Aviation Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — The Israel Aircraft Industries and the U.S. Navy are expected to sign a deal soon for the lease of 12 Kfir C-1 fighters to serve as mock enemy planes for American pilots.

U.S. Navy experts visited Israel several times, examined the Kfir, and according to the latest issue of *Aviation Week and Space Technology* even flew it. *The Jerusalem Post* was told yesterday the deal with the U.S. will probably be signed soon.

In return the U.S. will provide Israel with military supplies. It will also pay for several Israel Aircraft Industries technicians to maintain the planes whenever they are based.

The U.S. Navy is believed to have chosen the Kfir after its analysts reckoned that its performance was comparable to that of the Soviet MiG-21. According to the U.S. *Aviation Week*, the Navy has been looking for a plane that performs like enemy fighters.

**Postal union votes not to expel Israel**

BONN (JTA). — In a 73 to 32 vote with 15 abstentions, the world congress of the Union Postal Universal in Hamburg rejected yesterday an Arab initiative to expel Israel from the organization.

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DUBLIN	11	22	Clear
GENEVA	13	20	Clear
HELSINKI	12	21	Clear
HONG KONG	26	30	Cloudy
LONDON	17	24	Clear
LISBON	17	24	Clear
LONDON	18	25	Cloudy
MADRID	18	25	Cloudy
MONTREAL	18	25	Cloudy
NEW YORK	18	25	Cloudy
PARIS	18	25	Cloudy
ROME	18	25	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	18	25	Cloudy
TORONTO	18	25	Cloudy
ZURICH	18	25	Cloudy

## THE WEATHER

Forecast: Humid and cloudy.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	41	14-26	26
Golan	41	14-26	26
Nahariya	33	18-28	26
Safed	33	18-28	26
Haifa Port	33	18-28	26
Tiberias	40	20-33	32
Nazareth	33	17-28	26
Afula	57	20-29	28
Shomron	40	16-28	27
Tel Aviv	67	20-27	26
B. G. Airport	67	18-27	27
Jericho	31	18-34	33
Gaza	76	18-26	25
BeerSheva	31	16-32	31
Elit	7	21-38	38

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Ambassador of Costa Rica, Eduardo Jenkins Dobles, paid Mayor Kollek a courtesy call on Monday at Jerusalem City Hall.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar met yesterday with a delegation from the British Trade Union Council. Delegation head David Bassnett, secretary of the British Clerks and Administrative Workers Union, invited Kessar to visit Britain as the guest of the TUC.

Mordechai Gur MK, Alignment campaign chairman, will speak in English on Labour as the only alternative, tonight in Jerusalem at 8:00 at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel. Sponsored by Kadima.

Issachar Goldrat and Dan Erez of Ezer's University will speak at the Jerusalem Rotary club in the YMCA at 1:00 p.m. today.

Wizo's Third Age Department, headed by Hadassah Shioimowitz, will hold a national convention at Rebecca Sieff House today. Actress Getta Luca will perform the play *One Old Woman*.

The Haifa Rotary Club will visit the Kfar Masaryk agro-industrial complex at 1 p.m. today. Members meet at the Dagon silo and Nof Hotel at 12:15 p.m.

Yitzhak Alon is the new chairman of the National Federation of Israeli Journalists, replacing Levi Yitzhak Hayerushalmi, who completed his term of office.

## ARRIVALS

Mr. Paul Zuckerman, former chairman of the UJA, to attend the Jewish Agency board of governors meeting and assembly, and to lecture as visiting professor at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

# HOME AND WORLD NEWS

## No more plea bargains likely in terror trial

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

No more plea bargains are expected by the 22 remaining defendants in the trial of the Jewish underground, according to legal sources. A further five accused, including one already serving an 18-month sentence, have had their trials separated from the main trial.

The trial of Rav-Seren Shlomo, Leviatan and Seren Aharon Gila, the two IDF officers charged with helping the underground, resumes today in the Jerusalem District Court, after Gila had his appeal for release from custody turned down by the Supreme Court on Monday.

Leviatan is charged with attempted murder, while Gila is charged with causing grievous bodily harm. Both men are charged with dereliction of duty and failure to report a crime.

The two were officers in the Ramallah civil administration in 1980 and were allegedly informed of the underground's plans to blow up the car of Al-Bira Mayor Ibrahim Tawil, the prosecution has charged.

According to the prosecution, their failure to report what they knew to the authorities led to the blinding of Border Police sapper Suleiman Hirbawi as he tried to dismantle the bomb.

Legal sources last night confirmed that several politicians and IDF officers will be asked to testify in the Jewish underground case, and that "several of them are the ones who

encouraged the group before and after the first attacks.

The legal sources added that they did not know which of the witnesses are the "ranking military and political figures" claimed by a Gush Emunim to be sympathetic to the actions of the underground.

Last night, Gush Emunim leader and spokesman for the prisoners' committee, Meir Indor, denied that he has a personal relationship with either former defence minister Ariel Sharon or former chief of staff Rafael Eitan, and said that he "never had a meeting with them that dealt with the actions of the alleged underground."

"The attempt to link their names with the information that high ranking-security officers praised the actions (of the group) does not reflect the situation," said Indor.

He said that Gush Emunim's leadership, including Rabbi Moshe Levinger, Kiryat Arba attorney Elyakim Haetzni, Benny Katzover and others have been conducting meetings in private homes, "explaining the need for a change in the status of the Temple Mount." According to Indor, the Gush has decided to cooperate with the Faithful of the Temple Mount on their planned Tisha Be'Av prayer rally at the Mograbi Gate of the mount.

According to other Gush sources, the movement, "has sprung to life after years of concerning itself only with settlement. The movement has been rejuvenated by this underground affair."

## Red Cross MD sees prisoners in Syria

GENEVA (JTA). - The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) announced here on Monday that its representatives in Syria visited the three Israeli civilians imprisoned there since their capture while touring Lebanon early last month.

The visit took place last Thursday, June 14, and was the first time Red

Cross representatives were permitted to see these prisoners.

According to the ICRC, their representatives were accompanied by a medical doctor and were allowed to speak to the prisoners without witnesses. The Israelis filled out Red Cross forms attesting to their health and other personal matters and describing the circumstances of their capture.

## U.S. rejects Kuwait Stinger request

WASHINGTON (AP). - The U.S. State Department said yesterday it has turned down a Kuwaiti request to purchase Stinger anti-aircraft missiles.

"We do not contemplate a sale at this time," a department spokesman

said. He gave no reason for the denial, saying only that the administration is looking at "more immediate and effective ways" to improve Kuwait's air defences.

Kuwait had asked for the Stingers protection in the Iran-Iraq conflict.

## Jackson: Israel favoured over Africa

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). - The Reverend Jesse Jackson said on Monday that four million Israelis receive more U.S. aid than Washington sends to 500 million Africans.

Jackson, a black civil rights leader and contender for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination, also said Israel and the U.S. helped create a threat to the sovereignty of every black state in Africa by transferring nuclear technology to South Africa.

Speaking at a luncheon during a UN conference called to promote opposition to South African racial segregation policy, Jackson urged that Africa be given greater priority

on the US political agenda, noting that the American Jewish community gives Israel a political constituency.

Jackson said that when former Israeli prime minister Menachem Begin came to the U.S., he would "run straight to the White House and get refused. In New York, he would have a big banquet, and in Los Angeles, Houston and Chicago. Then he would go back to the White House and get whatever he wanted."

"When you consider that blacks are the majority minority, we clearly have the capacity to make and break presidents and foreign policy," he declared.

## Rothschild to reopen emergency ward

HAIFA. - The Rothschild Hospital administration has informed the Health Ministry that it will reopen its emergency and maternity wards from today. *The Jerusalem Post* was told.

Four of the hospital's six operating theatres will remain closed however, and the suspension of elective surgery stays in effect. Hospital director Dr. Dov Golan

said the reopening of the wards had been made possible by transferring intensive care units from the old part of the hospital to a ward in the basement of the new west wing building.

Meanwhile Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has promised to try to find a solution to the problem of funding to complete the construction of the west wing. His promise was made at a meeting with Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel, Health Minister Eliezer Shostak, Finance Ministry Director-General Nissim Baruch at the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem on Monday. The Haifa municipality spokesman reported.

The spokesman said Shostak supported the idea of giving the Rothschild Hospital Friends Society a government guaranteed loan for \$4 million towards completing the west wing. But Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orad opposed the proposal because Rothschild was not on the national priority list for funding.

Shamir promised to investigate the matter and hold a meeting with the ministers of health and finance in an attempt to find a solution. He will announce his decision in a week's time.

## Call to unify WZO education efforts

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
A plea to unify all education departments of the World Zionist Organization was made yesterday by Eli Tavin, head of the WZO's Department of Education and Culture in the Diaspora.

In addition to Tavin's department, the WZO also has a Department for Torah Education and a Youth and Hechalutz Department. Tavin, speaking to the World Leadership Conference for Jewish Education, stressed the major goal of combating assimilation. This could best be done, he said, through a united effort.

Yitzhak Mayer, head of the Torah Education Department, listed tuition as one of the most serious problems. Israel cannot send more than a few hundred teachers abroad annually. Therefore, said Mayer, the first challenge is to raise the level of Diaspora teachers.



Yahad Party leader Ezer Weizman is bandaged at the Kiryat Malachi Magen David Adom station, after his car was involved in a crash with another car near the town. Weizman and his two aides were lightly injured but were later able to proceed with their election tour of the South. They visited the other two injured in the crash at the Ashkelon hospital. Weizman's car (top, left) was later towed away. (Israel Sun)

## Navon plays it cool in capital's neighbourhoods

Yitzhak Navon went to promote the Alignment cause in two Jerusalem neighbourhoods with rather soft-sell campaign rhetoric, which dealt mainly with the state of the economy.

In many stops on his tour of Kiryat Hayovel and Ir Ganim the former president did not even mention the elections. But his affable style and presence seemed to ignite a great deal of enthusiasm. In both neighbourhoods the Alignment lost to the Likud in the last two elections though the gap was narrowed in 1981.

At least eight times Navon was greeted with cries of "You ought to be at the head of the Alignment," or "Why aren't you at the top?" He either ignored these questions or, on one occasion, earnestly told a parlor meeting that he did not want to split Labour.

Addressed many times as "your excellency, the president," Navon displayed his considerable versatility in the different ways he addressed people. At lunch with the Jerusalem Economic Club with Mayor Teddy Kollek, he gave an analytical speech to businessmen and civic leaders. In a parlor meeting with religious voters of Moroccan origin, nearly every sentence was spiced with a pithy religious quotation.

The tour started with a meeting with an extremely warm crowd in a public park. Later in a synagogue, Navon did not even mention the elections. But in the first parlor meeting, after putting everybody at their ease, he presented the Alignment's economic case in simple clear terms. "Look, in 12 years from 1960 to 1972 we had 126 per cent inflation. Now, that's what we've had in just the first five months of this year..."



Former president Yitzhak Navon, No. 2 on the Alignment list, chats with senior citizens during an election tour of Jerusalem's Kiryat Hayovel neighbourhood yesterday. (Zoom-77)

## SHAMIR-SHARON

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if in his libel suit against Time Sharon dips into the Defence Ministry archives again without prior permission from the premier and the defence minister. "The premier will take action."

Shamir does not intend to ask Attorney General Yitzhak Zamir to study the Sharon affair, believing that it would result in a confrontation with the former defence minister that could harm the Likud at the polls.

However, Jerusalem sources said that Zamir, could on his own initiate an inquiry into whether Sharon can be prosecuted for transferring abroad the information contained in the two documents.

Speaking on Israel Radio yesterday, Sharon said that he "never gave any document to anyone."

anyone, and so I will act even if I lose the case, because I respect the decisions and laws of the State of Israel.

"At issue is a consultation with my lawyers regarding the suit - before the government's decision. At that time we consulted about which documents to request from the government."

Asked if he believed there was a difference between handing over a document to unauthorized persons and conveying its contents, Sharon said:

"There is such a thing as a document - and it is well defined. As to the contents - if secret contents were handed over, such a thing would undoubtedly be improper. But nothing secret was turned over, nothing that wasn't published elsewhere."

VISIT. - Libyan Foreign Minister Ali Abdel-Salam al-Tureiki arrived yesterday in Athens for a three-day visit.

## Likud gets more TV time in swap deal with Aguda

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The Likud has made a deal with Aguda's TV time in exchange for radio time from the Likud.

Aguda will thus give the Likud 34 television minutes, which it was allotted for its four MKs. The law does not allow the parties to sell their TV time, but it permits exchanges of TV for radio time. With the addition from Aguda, the Likud will end up with 326 TV minutes, more than any single party has thus far. The Labour Alignment gets 304 minutes.

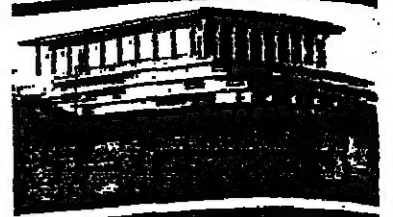
Aguda's 34 television minutes will cost the Likud 170 radio minutes. Ezer Weizman's Yahad list, Tehiya and several other parties first tried to reach an accord with Aguda but it opted for the Likud offer.

Aguda put its TV time on the political marketplace after the Gerrer Rebbe, head of the Council of Torah Sages, forbade his party to engage in televised propaganda. Three years ago, Aguda broadcast TV campaign advertisements.

The deal is still subject to the approval of the Central Elections Committee, where it is certain to be opposed by Labour and other parties.

Meanwhile, the parties are making final arrangements for their TV previews Saturday night.

The parties now face the problem of selecting anchormen and chief



female announcers.

It now appears almost certain that the Labour anchorman will be Yitzhak Navon, though he has doubts about whether such a role is dignified enough for a former president. Navon was the Alignment anchorman in 1977. The feminine touch to the Labour spots will be provided by actress Etti Shiloni, who was chosen on the basis of extensive screen tests.

Labour will feature as stars its leaders, Shimon Peres, Navon, Yitzhak Rabin, Gad Ya'acobi and Yisrael Kessar.

The Likud has not yet made its choice, but the new star appears to be popular Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat. He reportedly agreed to host the party's TV spots and interview guests and passers-by on the street. Lahat will be joined by former cabinet secretary Dan Meridor, MK Meir Shitrit and possibly MK Ehud Olmert, all of whom do well in the electronic media. The female announcer for the Likud will be Ruthi Vashdi-Preminger, who filled the same role three years ago. Entertainer Sefi Rivlin will also appear on behalf of the Likud.

## Tami television campaign takes shape

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - Tami activist Vicki Shiran and Ashkelon Mayor Eli Dayan, who is third on Tami's list for the Knesset, will present the party's television-campaign broadcasts, it was learned yesterday.

Shlomo Bar, of Habreira Hativit (The Natural Choice) will sing a song he composed to the words of poet Erez Biton on both the TV and radio broadcasts. It is not clear yet whether Bar will appear on the TV broadcasts or whether only his voice will be heard in the background.

Shiran will interview Tami leader Aharon Abuhaitzira on video cassettes to be shown for openers at campaign parlor meetings about

the party's achievements and future plans.

Tami will attempt to break out of its ethnocentric Sephardi image and try to appeal to workers and lower income groups in general, party campaign spokesman Ilan Shani said.

Ometz leader Yigael Hurvitz yesterday criticized Alignment election advertisements which quoted his words about "national criminals" out of context.

Hurvitz said he had used those words in a lecture in BeerSheva to refer to both the Likud and the Alignment, which not only make hasty promises but are passing laws that will cost billions of shekels while the economy is going bankrupt.

## Olmert: Labour 'shock' ads are foul play

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The Likud charged yesterday that Alignment advertising teams are offering hefty pay to passers-by willing to pose for Alignment ads and that they then put words in their mouths which they never said. This accusation was made here yesterday by Likud MK Ehud Olmert at a press conference.

Olmert, a member of the Likud information campaign team, argued that the Alignment is guilty of "intimidation, cheating and misleading the public."

Olmert was accompanied at the press conference by two young men, who described how they were approached and asked to pose for the Alignment ads. One of them, Ofer Shani, a salesman from Tel Hashomer, recounted how he was approached on Rehov Sheinkin and was asked by a young woman to pose for an Alignment photograph and agreed, thinking it a joke. "I was shocked to later find myself featured in the 'shock treatment' ad, sponsored by a group calling itself Citizens for a Change of Government," Shani related.

The ads purport to predict the severe economic edicts which the Likud would impose if re-elected. "I was even more astonished to see myself quoted in the ad, saying that 'the Likud frightened me' and that 'no matter what, the government must be changed.' I never said anything of the kind. I don't agree with the statements and I protest against such words being attributed to me," Shani said. Shani's lawyer has already lodged a complaint about the ad, both with the Alignment campaign headquarters and the Central Elections Committee.

Twenty-nine-year-old Benny Gersh of Ramat Gan said he was approached by an Alignment photographer on Tel Aviv's Dizengoff Street and offered the equivalent of \$100 for his picture, although he told the photographers that he is not an Alignment supporter. But he agreed to pose for the money. He indeed received a cheque for IS22,000. He brought a copy of the cheque to the press conference.

Labour's information campaign chief, MK Moshe Shahal, reacted by saying that "I have nothing but pity for Olmert, who must resort to such a cheap public relations trick in order to win a newspaper headline."

## Arens: No electioneering in Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. - Defence Minister Moshe Arens, on a visit here yesterday, said he had turned down a request by Yahad Party leader Ezer Weizman to speak to IDF troops in South Lebanon because he felt that at the present they should not become a focus for electioneering. But Arens noted that he had allowed Weizman to visit the troops on several occasions in the past.

In answer to a question, Arens said that there was no contradiction between his decision not to outlaw the Progressive List for Peace and the decision of the Central Elections Committee to bar it from contesting the elections.

Arens said that his decision not to ban the movement was based on security considerations and taken in his capacity as defence minister. He was satisfied with his decision, he said.

Arens praised the activities of the South Lebanon Army under General Antoine Lahad, but said they are

not yet ready to replace the IDF in South Lebanon.

Arens, meeting here with residents from the area and South Lebanon, called on both sides to strengthen, personal ties to safeguard peace.

## Kollek asks police to ban mall rallies

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Jerusalem police are considering a request by Mayor Teddy Kollek to bar political rallies and processions in the downtown Ben-Yehuda pedestrian mall.

Likud minister Ariel Sharon has asked for a permit for a rally next week. The municipality had originally allowed rallies after business hours but now says that rallies by all parties will disturb the outdoor cafe life on the mall in the evenings.

The city has offered several other downtown sites to the political parties.

## SYRIA NEGOTIATES

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they left when Moslem militias drove the army from mainly-Moslem West Beirut in February while Moslems would rejoin units now stationed in Christian East Beirut under the agreement. Reuters was told.

The reintegrated army units would then be given authority to get militiamen off the streets, open more east-west crossing points and reopen Beirut's port and airport.

The cabinet is widely expected to name General Michel Aoun to replace General Ibrahim Tannous as army commander at its Thursday meeting.

split. His men, from various sectors succeeded in defending the strategic mountaintop town of Souk al-Gharb against repeated onslaughts by Druse militiamen since last September.

"Decree no. 10," which was issued by the previous government of Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan in 1983 and which gave the army commander exclusive charge of the army, is to be cancelled, the government sources said.

Shiite leader Nabih Berri and Druse leader Walid Jumblatt demanded the resignation of Tannous after army units devastated Druse villages and the Shi'ite suburbs of Beirut with shellfire in battles with Moslem militiamen. (AP, Reuter)

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Exports down by \$70m.

## Bulldozers levelling citrus groves

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The country's citrus groves are being chopped down and levelled, according to Simcha Assaf, secretary general of the Histadrut's Agricultural Centre.

Speaking at a press conference here yesterday, Assaf said that while just a few years ago Israel was exporting 50 million crates of citrus fruit a year, it barely exported 23 million this year.

As a result the citrus branch is bringing in fewer export dollars. This year it earned \$170 million, down from \$240m. the year before. The coming season is expected to net even less, he said.

Assaf admitted that much of the blame for the sorry state of what was

once Israel's main export branch lies with mismanagement of the Citrus Marketing Board (CMB). While acknowledging that representatives of the Agricultural Centre also belong to the CMB directorate, he said that the greatest responsibility must be borne by Agriculture Minister Pessah Grupper, who is also the CMB chairman, and by the CMB's general manager Dan Paldi.

Paldi told *The Jerusalem Post* that there were several causes for the drop in exports and that the razing of orchards only accounted for about 20 per cent of the drop.

The main cause of the drop, he said, was improper harvesting by Arab labourers, making the fruit unsuitable for export. Citing figures for the past five years, Paldi said that

the quantity of fruit unfit for export has increased from 25 to 50 per cent of the harvest. He said citrus growers should supervise picking of the fruit more closely.

Yisrael Efrat, the chairman of the Agricultural Centre's economic department, told the press conference that for the third consecutive year farmers' earnings were lagging by about 25 per cent behind the average wage. One reason, he said, was the high interest rates farmers have to pay to operate their farms: a year ago the farming sector had to pay \$27m. in interest; this year the figure jumped to \$40m.

Efrat also blamed the government for cutting agricultural budgets and investments over the past seven years.

## U.S. gives visa to Black Hebrew defector

By LIORA MORIEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — A controversial defector from the Black Hebrew cult in Dimona who recently got his visa to the U.S. after a year-long wait, returned to Chicago, may be the harbinger of easier return to the U.S. for future defectors, the Interior Minister hopes.

"Melvin Coleman, alias Shamur Ben-Israel, renounced his U.S. citizenship in 1973. A number of other Black Hebrews here have done the same, and would therefore have difficulties returning to the U.S."

"I hope the Americans have

understood exactly what we've asked of them and reacted favourably to pressure we brought to bear on them," said Interior Ministry deputy director-general Yehoshua Kahana.

"I hope that in the future those who want to leave will be able to return to the U.S. as well, even if the procedure takes time," Kahana added.

Coleman, who held the post of deputy minister of education in the cult before falling into disgrace over money matters and being asked to leave by Black Hebrew leader Ben-Ami Carter a year ago, vowed to return to Israel.

His goal, he said before leaving, is to dethrone Carter and break up the cult.

Meanwhile, the Black Hebrew community in Dimona seems unperturbed by recent media attention, and new members are being vigorously recruited in the U.S.

Sources close to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir have told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Black Hebrews are not high up in Shamir's agenda. "The prime minister must order his priorities and cannot deal with every matter. The Black Hebrews problem is being dealt with by the Interior Ministry," the sources said.

## International tender for Dan garbage plant

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An international tender for an experimental garbage-processing plant will soon be published by the Hiriya garbage dump, to solve the problem of overflowing garbage. Dan sanitation union chairman Arye Kremer said yesterday.

Kremer spoke on a tour of the Hiriya garbage dump with Interior Ministry Director-General Haim Kubersky. The garbage-processing plant's project management consists of the Finance and Interior ministries, and the Dan Sanitation Union.

The Hiriya garbage dump, which receives one-third of the country's garbage, is covered with earth dur-

ing the summer months to prevent bad odours. A few years ago the smell there was so bad that before a visit of Interior Minister Yosef Burg, Kremer had the site sprayed with perfume from a helicopter.

In winter the dump is uncovered, attracting flocks of birds which are a safety hazard for aircraft on the nearby Ben-Gurion Airport runways. The site is a vast breeding ground for mosquitoes in the spring and summer.

Kubersky noted that Hiriya will soon not be able to absorb any more garbage and promised the Interior Ministry's help in speeding up the installation of the new plant. Meanwhile, Kubersky said a solution must

be found for the odours in winter. The plant will retrieve tin, metal, paper, plastics and glass from the garbage and turn the rest into fuel. It will cost up to \$10 million and will be financed by the winner of the tender, who will recover his investment from the sale of fuel.

Some 1,100 tons of garbage are dumped in Hiriya every day, and are covered by 1,000 cubic metres of earth daily. The garbage is spread over 480 dunams and is 44 metres high.

Last year, on a similar tour of Hiriya, Kremer spoke of a garbage-processing plant soon to be built there, but apparently nothing has been done since then.

## Coal dust threatens to mar beaches

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Coal particle pollution, a new ecological problem for Israel, is developing on the beaches north of the Electric Corporation's Hadera power station. So far, no bathing beaches have been affected.

The results of a study of the problem published this week show that coal particles which fell into the sea during unloading have been washed ashore as far away as two kilometres north of Hadera.

The plant, the first in the country to be fired by coal, has reached full capacity. Its four 350-megawatt generating units burn 3.5 million tons of imported coal annually.

In the last three years, 3.5m. tons of coal have been unloaded at Hadera, first at an off-shore anchor-

age and, since 1982, at a pier 2km. out to sea.

The study was carried out by Sarit Averbach, of the Technion's architecture and urban planning faculty, with the assistance of the corporation and the Oceanographic Institute.

The extent and seriousness of the new problem have not yet been determined.

Annual samplings of the seabed since January, 1982, brought up coal particles at a rate ranging from zero to 1.679 grams per square metre of seabed sampled. For technical reasons, the findings can only be seen as indicating a trend.

The study shows that the particles are washed northward by prevailing currents.

Unloading in Haifa harbour, re-

jected for "ecological reasons" though it would have saved millions of dollars, would not have produced the problem, as the particles would have been kept inside the harbour by the breakwaters.

Discussing the report this week, experts agreed they could not yet predict whether the granules would be washed on to the beach and stay there, or would get only as far as the splash line of the waves.

But they noted that unlike tar, a widespread local beach hazard, coal granules would not stick to bathers' skin or swimsuits.

Neither are coal particles carcinogenic.

A monitoring system should be set up so that the problem can be dealt with effectively before it grows into a real hazard, they held.

## Civil Defence guard caught stealing from car pound

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A Civil Defence watchman guarding the Bat Yam police car pound was arrested Monday night after stealing accessories from stolen cars which had been found and towed to the pound.

During the past few weeks, several people who claimed their cars at the pound complained that mirrors, radios, tools and other accessories were missing from their vehicles.

Some of the car-theft victims had already seen their cars at the pound with the accessories in them, but came to fetch them a day or two later. They suspected that the police had stolen the items.

Bat Yam Police Commander Chief Superintendent Ya'acov Gensheimer decided to investigate after an ambush near the pound Monday night.

The detectives watching the

pound saw a 50-year-old Civil Defence guard sent by the IDF dismantle accessories from the parked cars. He was caught red-handed and confessed.

In the suspect's Holon apartment police found a large number of car accessories and tools taken from the cars in the pound.

A hearing on extension of the suspect's remand will be held in magistrates court today.

## CORRECTION

As of last Saturday, Magen David Adom has discontinued its mobile intensive care unit operation in Western Galilee. The move, which was fully coordinated with the Health Ministry, was a response to the failure of local authorities in the area to pay debts to MDA. All other MDA services in the area are operating as usual, and not as reported in *The Jerusalem Post* on Monday.

## Yeroham receives 130 new phones

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — In a special three-week operation, a team from the Bezek telephone company here installed 130 new telephones in the Negev town of Yeroham. The "pay today: get a phone tomorrow" operation would have been more successful if the citizens of the financially troubled development town were better off.

"People here had trouble coming up with the \$540,000 installation fee on such short notice," Baruch Almkias, Yeroham's mayor, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The municipal workers were given the opportunity to pay for their phones in installments. Almkias said that he is now drawing up a list of all those in Yeroham who still have no telephone and will try to help them get loans as well.

## K. Motzkin mayor has heart attack at rally

HAIFA. — Kiryat Motzkin mayor, Moshe Goshen, suffered a serious heart attack on Monday night in front of more than 1,000 people during an open-air Alignment election rally on the roof of the town's Bet-Hahistadrut building.

Goshen, 62, had finished addressing the meeting and had sat down to listen to the Alignment's Yitzhak Rabin, when he suddenly collapsed on the platform.

Members of the audience rushed to his aid and an ambulance was called. *The Jerusalem Post* learned that Goshen was clinically dead, but ambulance crew managed to resuscitate him. He was taken to Rambam Hospital but remained in a coma throughout most of yesterday.

Goshen has been Mayor of Kiryat Motzkin for 25 years.



Members of Moshav Bekoa in the Jerusalem Corridor demonstrate yesterday outside the Jewish Agency offices in Tel Aviv complaining about the agency's lack of assistance to the settlement. They carry a poster reading: "Bekoa, step-children of the Settlement Department."

## Tel Aviv is a 'human zoo,' says police chief Turgeman

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv area can be termed "a human zoo," Tel Aviv District Police Commander Nitzav Avraham Turgeman said yesterday at a rare press conference.

This district breeds crime, he said. It has more organized crime, drug and property-related crimes and more problems stemming from wide socio-economic gaps than anywhere in Israel.

During his three years as commander, Turgeman said, he had excellent, honest and open relations with the press.

He blasted the press for not always printing the whole truth, especially during the past few months (during which the Assaf Hefetz affair erupted and several officers resigned). He denied reports that 10

officers who resigned did so because of him, adding only that two or three left because "they could not keep up with the work."

Turgeman said he was proud of his achievements in the district, which, he said, is now much better organized than when he assumed his post. Among his accomplishments, he counted a decrease in violent public disturbances, a drop in organized and drug related crimes, the opening of two police stations in the city's southern quarters and the establishment of a district fraud department.

But he acknowledged his failure to reduce property offences. Calling these "the plague of the district," he said they were mainly due to the daily influx into the city of half a million commuters, including some 60,000 Arabs.

## Autopsy ordered to prove jealous husband's suicide

HAIFA (Itim). — The magistrates court here yesterday ordered an autopsy on the body of Salomon Turgeman, who police believe shot his wife and a man he thought was her lover before shooting himself.

Turgeman, 43, was found dead in the home of Zvi Morad, 37, in Allenby Street here on Monday night. Also in the flat and seriously wounded were Morad, and Turgeman's wife, Yaffa, 51. A pistol was found alongside the bodies. Morad was reported yesterday in critical condition in Rambam Hospital's intensive care unit, while Yaffa Turgeman was in the neurological department. Both had head wounds.

Yaffa Turgeman had worked as a sales assistant in a shop owned by Morad. Turgeman apparently became jealous and insisted she cease working for Morad. Family members interviewed yesterday denied that Turgeman had any reason to be jealous.

The Turgeman couple apparently went to Morad's home on Monday night with the intention of discussing the matter.

While there is no doubt that Turgeman died of gun-shot wounds, police seek to establish through a post mortem that he did take his own life.

## Family feuds in Gaza leave two dead

GAZA (Itim). — A 30-year-old man was stabbed to death and his brother and father severely wounded in a fight between two families in a refugee camp near here on Monday.

The fight, between two neighbouring families, rapidly escalated from fistfights to knives. Police rein-

forcements who arrived on the scene arrested a man and his four sons as suspects in the fatal stabbing.

In another incident, a 58-year-old villager turned himself into the Gaza police on Tuesday saying he had strangled his 10-year-old daughter to death because she had disgraced the family honour.

## 8 years for killing soldier in Eilat

BEERSHEBA (Itim). — A 21-year-old man and a 16-year-old youth were each sentenced yesterday to eight years in prison for the killing of a soldier in Eilat last August.

Avraham Jallut, 21, and a 16-year-old boy from Ashkelon shot Moshe Strauss, a soldier, to "teach him a lesson" after he refused to pay for a stolen tape-recorder.

Mallul cocked the weapon and gave it to the youth, telling him to fire at Strauss's legs. The soldier fled and the youth fired four shots at him, two of which hit the soldier in the chest and killed him.

The defence counsel noted that the youth had been less than 16 years old at the time of the crime and had shortly before left his parents' home for Eilat.

## 'Courts are too lenient to wife beaters'

By DAVID RUDGE  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Dozens of women demonstrated outside the district court yesterday to protest against what they allege are light sentences for wife beating and wife murder.

They cited a 10-year sentence recently given to a man who stabbed his wife to death and was convicted of manslaughter.

Barbara Swirski, a committee member of Haifa's shelter for battered women and an organizer of the demonstration, termed the sentence a travesty of justice.

The prosecution had maintained that this was murder, but the three male judges accepted the defence plea of manslaughter, she said.

"They accepted the defence claim that the wife had provoked her husband and that there was a history of dispute between the couple, as if this somehow mitigated the crime," said Swirski.

"Provocation is used as the standard in virtually all cases of violence towards women. The woman, too, is on trial, because of the usually incorrect assumption that she must have done something to make the man act as he did," Swirski said.

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## France studies Iranians' asylum request

NICE (AP). — French officials weighed foreign policy consequences, international law and humanitarian concerns yesterday in discussions with four Iranian military men who asked for asylum after landing here in a commandeered Iranian Navy plane.

The plane, a Fokker-27, was taken over in Iran last week. Officials at the French Foreign Ministry said the craft had now been turned over to Iranian officials in France.

The plane, which made earlier stops in Egypt and Italy, landed here

early yesterday with eight Iranians aboard. The pilot, co-pilot and two others asked for asylum, but the four other men asked to return to Iran.

"There is a certain question about international treaties on air piracy (which France has signed) and whether or not this is a hijacking under terms of those agreements," a government official said in Paris.

If the French decide to grant asylum, it could further exacerbate its strained relations with Iran. Both Egypt and Italy rejected earlier re-

quests by the four Iranians for asylum.

Relations between France and Iran deteriorated in the summer of 1981 after France granted asylum to Massoud Rajavi, the leader of the leftist Iranian opposition group Mujahedin Khalq, and to ousted Iranian president Abolhassan Bani-Sadr.

After Paris refused extradition requests, President Francois Mitterrand told all French people in Iran to leave because his government could no longer assure their security.

## Soviets in major drive against Afghan rebels

NEW DELHI (AP). — Up to 10,000 Soviet troops mounted a major drive against Moslem rebels in Afghanistan's Herat Province last week, and many civilians were killed in bombing raids by MiGs and helicopter gunships, western diplomats said yesterday.

Diplomats also said two Soviet civilians and at least six Afghan military or secret police officers have been assassinated in Kabul this month. A dispute among rebel commanders in the strategic Panjsher Valley led to a bloody fight, diplomats said.

The report, read by a diplomat who cannot be named under press briefing rules, quoted "multiple sources" in Kabul as saying Soviet troops surrounded Herat city on June 3 or 4 with more than 300 tanks and armoured personnel carriers.

The Soviet troops conducted a two-week house-to-house search in

the city where there apparently was little resistance because the rebels had already left, the report said.

At the same time, helicopter gunships and MiG jets heavily bombed villages to the south and west of the city, and civilian casualties appear to be heavy, it said.

It was not clear whether the city itself was bombed.

Burhanuddin Rabbani, leader of the Jamiat Islami rebels, told a news conference in Peshawar, Pakistan, on Saturday that more than 1,000 civilians had been killed in Herat in the past two weeks.

Two separate diplomatic reports said there had been a dramatic increase in the number of assassinations in Kabul this month. The most notable was the killing of two Soviets at the Kabul polytechnical institute on June 9, they said.

At least six officers or agents of the Khat secret police were killed in the capital in the same period.

## Gandhi offers Sikh leaders new talks on Punjab problem

NEW DELHI (AP). — Prime Minister Indira Gandhi offered Monday to reopen talks with Sikh leaders in an effort to reach a political settlement in the Punjab crisis.

In an interview with the British Broadcasting Corporation Gandhi said she was prepared to discuss the Sikhs' grievances within the framework of the constitution. Serious dialogue is not expected, however, while the army still occupies the Punjab.

The army arrested 76 suspected Sikh extremists Monday and seized a major cache of arms and ammunition in its operation to flush out terrorists from the Punjab, the Press Trust of India reported.

In Amritsar, the army announced Monday that it plans to turn over

control to local authorities in stages and that army personnel would return to their barracks after completing a sweep to round up Sikh extremists.

Lt. Gen. Krishnaswamy Sundarji said the army was still seeking some Sikh "terrorists" in the countryside before turning over its authority.

Meanwhile in Oslo Indian Charge d'Affaires I. Harinder Singh said yesterday he has quit "the embassy of the racist and communal regime of Indira Gandhi" and requested asylum in Norway.

"I realize now there is no place for me in India any more," Singh, a Sikh and a son of former Punjab politician Sardar Gopal Singh Khalsa, said at a news conference. "I got tired of telling lies about what is happening there."

## Reward offered for news of Sakharovs

WASHINGTON (AP). — Two stepchildren of dissident Soviet physicist Andrei Sakharov offered a \$10,000 reward on Monday for information about their parents, saying that despite assurances about their well-being from the Soviet Government, the couple's whereabouts is unknown.

"Andrei Sakharov and his wife, Yelena Bonner, our mother, have disappeared," said Alexey Semyonov in a statement here on behalf of himself and his sister, Tanya Yankelevich.

Semyonov said in an interview there have been no independent reports about his mother and stepfather since May 6, when a friend, Irina Kristi, visited Sakharov and

Bonner in Gorky.

A West German newspaper yesterday published photographs of Sakharov and his wife, and said a Moscow journalist offered the pictures to prove the couple is alive.

Bild Zeitung, a mass circulation daily, said it obtained the photos on Sunday from Soviet journalist Victor Louis at a hotel in Zurich.

One photo, purportedly taken June 15 in a park in Gorky, shows the Nobel Peace Prize laureate standing in sunlight with a trench coat draped over his arm.

The second photo shows Sakharov's wife standing beside a car, with a bus in the background. Bild quoted Louis as saying the photo was taken June 12 in Gorky.

## Killers of churchwomen get 30 years

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — A criminal court judge, in what he called a "triumph for Salvadoran justice," sentenced five former National Guardsmen to the maximum 30 years in prison for killing four U.S. churchwomen in 1980.

Judge Bernardo Rauda Murcia, who presided over the 20-hour trial that ended May 24, issued the sentences Monday and said he would notify the guardsmen's lawyers and the prosecutors yesterday.

Former guard Sergeant Luis Antonio Colindres Aleman, 28, and former privates Joaquin Contreras Palacios, 27, Francisco Orlando Contreras, 36, Jose Roberto More-

no Canjura, 28, and Daniel Canales, 27, were also found guilty of aggravated destruction of property and theft.

Maryknoll nuns Ita Ford, 40, and Maura Clarke, 49, and Ursuline sister Dorothy Kael, 41, and Roman Catholic lay worker Jean Donovan, 27, were intercepted by the guardsmen on the way from El Salvador airport to the capital December 2, 1980.

They were shot to death and their bodies were found two days later buried in a shallow grave near the highway. Medical reports at the time indicated some of the women had been raped.

## Three Mile Island supervisor indicted

HARISBURG, Pennsylvania (AP). — A grand jury has indicted James Floyd, a former supervisor at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant on charges of making false statements about his qualifications, a prosecutor announced on Monday.

Floyd was operations supervisor at TMI's Unit 2 reactor when it was crippled in a nuclear accident in March 1979. U.S. Attorney David Dart Queen said at a news conference.

The indictment charged that

Floyd, who managed all reactor operators in Unit 2, while attempting to qualify as senior reactor operator, had another licensed operator complete portions of the test in three areas—emergency procedures, principles of reactor theory and fuel handling. He then submitted those answers as his own, the indictment alleged.

Conviction carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on each count, Queen said.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Four die as torrential rains flood midwestern U.S.

NEW YORK (AP). — Thunderstorms swept the U.S. from Nebraska to the Northeast on Monday, dumping up to 18 centimetres of rain on the waterlogged Midwest, flooding more than 2,500 families and turning more than 1 million acres (4m. dunams) of prime farmland into giant lakes.

In Nebraska, where four people were killed when lightning hit their plane, 26 counties were declared disaster areas.

Three people were injured and 25 houses were damaged in central Pennsylvania when up to 14cm. of rain fell early on Monday in Centre County, authorities said.

## Policeman hurt as series of bombs explodes in Corsica

AJACCIO, Corsica (Reuters). — A policeman was injured here as a series of bombs exploded across southern Corsica overnight on the first anniversary of the disappearance of a militant nationalist leader, police said yesterday.

Police said the other explosions in Sartene, Tiscia, Mezzavia and Sagone caused considerable damage to banks and offices but no injuries.

No responsibility was claimed for the bombings.

## 22 injured in clash at Bangladesh factory

DACCA (AP). — At least 22 people were injured when police and striking hosiery workers clashed on Monday at Narayanganj, a town 15 kilometres southeast of Dacca.

Witnesses said police fired three rounds when angry workers in a procession attacked them and tried to snatch rifles from them.

About 10,000 hosiery workers struck last week, demanding a 30 per cent increase in allowances.

## Senate says U.S. will use force to stop Cuban aggression

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Senate, by a vote of 77-3, approved Monday a policy declaration that the "United States is determined to prevent, by whatever means may be necessary, including the use of arms, the Marxist-Leninist regime in Cuba from extending by force or the threat of force its aggressive or subversive activities to any part of this hemisphere."

## U.S. Senate kills bid to ban troops in Latin America

WASHINGTON (AP). — Legislation to ban U.S. combat forces in El Salvador and Nicaragua was rejected 63-31 by the Senate on Monday night, despite protests that President Reagan has set the stage for American bloodshed in the region.

Senators Edward Kennedy, an opposition Democrat, and Mark Hatfield, a Republican, battled unsuccessfully for an amendment that would have allowed Reagan to order Americans into combat in El Salvador or Nicaragua only if necessary to rescue embassy staff or other U.S. citizens, or unless authorized by Congress.

Reagan has said he has no intention of ordering Americans into the fight in Central America, and his supporters said such an amendment would unfairly restrict Reagan's power. But administration opponents disagreed.

"It's about time we get some people around here who are both tough and smart," said Democratic Senator Joseph Biden, adding: "We've got a lot of tough dumb people" who have forgotten the lessons of an undeclared war in Vietnam.

## Miners' leader charges police with 'blind hate'

LONDON (AP). — The leader of Britain's striking miners accused police of "almost blind hatred" after mounted officers charged rock-throwing pickets in Yorkshire.

Miners union leader Arthur Scargill, 46, was released from hospital in Rotherham after overnight treatment for head and arm injuries. He was among 51 miners and 28 policemen injured in the violence.

Scargill claimed police officers hit him on the head during Monday's fighting outside Yorkshire's Orgreave coal processing plant. The clash was described by police as the worst since the strike began on March 12.

Police denied hitting Scargill, saying he tripped and hit his head.

Picket lines were reported quiet yesterday and only a handful of pickets turned up outside the complex.

## Two held in probe of missing journalists

ROME (AP). — A retired Italian military intelligence agent and a police officer have been arrested in connection with the investigation into the disappearance of two Italian journalists in Lebanon four years ago, police reported yesterday.

A communique from the carabinieri, Italy's paramilitary police, said retired army Col. Stefano Giovannone and Police Lt. Damiano Balestra were arrested Monday night on charges of revealing state secrets.

The communique did not say what secrets they are accused of revealing or to whom they were given. Police said only that it was in connection with the probe into the disappearance of journalists Italo Toni and Graziella de Palo.

De Palo, a reporter for Rome's Communist-line *Paese Sera*, and Toni, a free-lancer had gone to Lebanon to write about terrorist training camps run by the Palestine Liberation Organization.

## Copts, Socialists named to Egypt's parliament

CAIRO (AP). — President Hosni Mubarak yesterday issued a decree appointing 10 members of parliament to the recently elected legislature, which will hold its first session on Saturday.

The appointees included four members of the opposition centre-left Socialist Party, one of three opposition parties which were unable to get any seats in the May 27 general election because they failed to win 8 per cent of the national vote as required by law.

The appointees also included five Copts.

The constitution entitles the president to name 10 members to the legislature. Officials said Mubarak's choice was prompted by a desire to increase opposition and Coptic representation in the new house.

## Sports

## Shlomo's draw

By JACK LEON

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Shlomo Glickstein has drawn Stefan Simonsson, of Sweden, as his opponent in the first round at Wimbledon. Simonsson, ranked 111, was the last direct entry in the 128 draw. Glickstein is ranked 55.

Simonsson, 24, was a Swedish junior champion, but has not so far fulfilled his early promise. His good performances include being a losing semi-finalist to eventual winner Tom Okker in the Israel Tennis Centre's 1979 Grand Prix tournament at Ramat Hasharon. He also reached the third round at Wimbledon in 1982, beating Bill Scanlon on the way.

Shahar Perkis put up a very creditable performance in his first-round match in Bristol against Alex Hozzar, only losing 6-4, 6-4. Together with David Schneider and Amos Mansdorf, he will now play in the qualifying matches for Wimbledon at Roehampton.

## Wimbledon seeds

WIMBLEDON (AP). — Defending champions John McEnroe and Martina Navratilova were made the top seeds yesterday for the Wimbledon championships, which get under way in one week's time.

The rankings, which determine places in the tournament draw, were based solely on a point system compiled by a computer for the first time.

In past years, officials of the All England Lawn Tennis Club held open a few of the seeds for recognized grass court experts who were not among the computer's top 20.

The new seedings mean that Chris Lewis the New Zealander who thrilled the tennis world last year by reaching the men's final, has no place among this year's 16 seeds. He is currently 22nd in the world.

By contrast, American Jimmy Arias, who is seeded fifth, has hardly ever played on grass. Yannick Noah, the seventh seed from France, says he hates the surface.

McEnroe is followed, in order, by Ivan Lendl, Jimmy Connors, Mats Wilander, Jimmy Arias, Andrei Gomez, Yannick Noah, Jose-Luis Clerc, Henrik Sundstrom and Andrei Jaryd. Among the women, Navratilova is followed by Chris Evert Lloyd, Hana Mandlikova, Pam Shriver, Zina Garrison, Kathy Jordan, Manuela Maleeva, Kathy Horvath, Wendy Turnbull and Jo Durie.

## Easy play-off

MAMARONECK, New York (Reuters). — Fuzzy Zoeller of the U.S. played a brilliant, effortless round of 67 to win the U.S. Open Golf Championship yesterday, as Australian Greg Norman never recovered from a disastrous front nine in their 18-hole playoff. Norman came in with a five-over-par 75 that included a bouble bogey, seven bogeys and four birdies.

Walking up the fairway to the 18th green, a smiling Norman waved a white flag of surrender and then shook hands with and hugged his American opponent even before they putted out. They both two-putted for par and walked off the final hole with their arms over each other's shoulders.

## U.S. Olympics team

LOS ANGELES (Reuters). — The following athletes qualified for the U.S. Olympic team during the third day of competition at the U.S. Olympic track and field trials here yesterday: Women's 100m.: 1. Evelyn Ashford, 11.18; 2. Alice Brown, 11.20; 3. Jeannette Bolden, 11.24; 4. Denise Williams, 11.34. Men's 400m.: 1. Duncan Atwood, 1:33.44m.; 2. Tom Petanoff (84.9m.); 3. Steve Roller, (83.00). Men's 400m. Hurdles: 1. Edwin Moses, 47.76; 2. Danny Harris, 48.11; 3. Trond Hawkins, 48.28.

## Baseball: Monday

American League  
New York 2, Detroit 1; Texas 6, California 2; Chicago 8, Seattle 4; Oakland 10, Kansas City 2; Only games scheduled.

National League  
St. Louis at Montreal, ppd.; rain; only game scheduled.

## County cricket

Nottinghamshire beat Gloucestershire by an innings and 125 runs. Gloucestershire 113 and 168 all out (Shepherd 47, Hadley four for 41. Nottinghamshire three for 37). Nottinghamshire 398 for seven declared overs. Nottinghamshire 24 points. Gloucestershire two points.

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EACH STAR to his own glow. Lillian Gish likes to be photographed first and then talk; she sits in a chair and tells the photographer to tilt down from above. "You get better eyes that way," she says. A tiny hearing aid is tucked into her right ear. She prefers one interviewer at a time, on the left.

Jeanne Moreau takes on several interviewers at once, shaking hands all around, speaks with generous "tail" about her career, her background, her father's disapproval, the way he snored in the second row during one of her leading roles. She lets the cameras click constantly, switches from French to nearly perfect English, is clearly irritated by silly or repetitive questions.

Though their visits are linked — Moreau directed a film about Gish — the two women speak separately in the living room of Jerusalem's Mishkenot Sha'ananim, where they are guests.

A few days later, Warren Beatty has a press conference at the Jerusalem Cinematheque, out of deference to Lia van Leer, its founder and director. But he makes it clear that he has no intention of divulging anything, and he spends about 45 minutes tantalizing two dozen reporters, intelligently talking to them in circles, with lots of pauses as he considers how to say nothing without being overly offensive. He succeeds.

The paths of these stars coincided briefly in the skies of Jerusalem during the final week of the first annual Jerusalem International Festival, which coincided with the Israel Festival in Jerusalem, which brought with it another bevy of luminaries. Sunglasses were *de rigueur* for ordin-

ary citizens who had to get up and go to work in the morning.

In film circles, Lillian Gish stole the show. For the interviews, her long, frail body was decked in a long-sleeved black-bodied dress, with collar and cuffs and long white skirt of eyelet lace, topped inconspicuously by a long waistcoat of red synthetic knit. Her eyes have been blue and glimmering for 88 years now, and she doesn't mind the fact that newspapers sometimes exaggerate her age. "The older they make me, the better I look," she says.

She recalled the filming of *Broken Blossoms*, the silent saga of cruelty and love that was directed by D. W. Griffith in 1919, and about to be screened at the Cinematheque. "I was five-foot-four, 18 or 19-years-old, and I was playing a 12-year-old child." She didn't like the idea, and offered to coach a younger girl in the role, but Griffith insisted that anyone younger wouldn't be able to play such a range of emotions.

So, despite a bout of Spanish influenza, which had killed five people in the studio and, in fact "more people than died in the war on both sides," she did it.

THE FILM is about a London foundling mistreated by her father and temporarily "saved" by a down-trodden Chinese immigrant who had come to the West to offer the wisdom of Buddha. It was modelled on a story by Thomas Burke called "The Chink and the Child." But, says Gish, "Mr. Griffith didn't think the Chinese would like that name," so it was changed to *Broken Blossoms*. It is subtitled "The Yellow Man and the Girl."

# STAR SHOWER

By MARSHA POMERANTZ / Jerusalem Post Reporter



Lillian Gish, Warren Beatty and Jeanne Moreau in Yemin Moshe, Jerusalem last week. (Scoop 80)

Talking about scripts, Gish said that in the nine years she worked with Griffith, "there was nothing in writing except the cheque you got at the end of the week. He called the plot, and you made the character."

At the Cinematheque screening, Gish acknowledged that music was "the other half" of a silent film, and congratulated Liz Magnes at the piano. Magnes, who had seen the film four times to prepare herself, used the piano to help build tension, make jokes, deliver a boxing punch and ring a Chinese gong.

Gish said she prefers silent film and musical accompaniment to most of the modern movies she's seen. For her, filming was absorbing work; for Griffith it was a mission.

"Griffith said that film was predicted in the Bible, where it says that when everyone speaks the same language, war will end — and keep that in mind every time you face the camera," he used to say.

"Tell that to young people!" she concluded.

Young people may not be convinced that silent film can bring peace, but they might develop some insight into what it was about from Moreau's filmed interview with Gish. It allows Gish to play her down-home self, and it traces some of the history of Griffith's work, cutting in frames of the old films here and there.

But Moreau seems awkward and unnatural and it's not clear why such a fine actress would want to go on camera as a bad interviewer.

At Mishkenot, before the screening of *Broken Blossoms* and her documentary, Moreau explained

that this is the first in a series of TV interviews with actresses that she is planning to produce and direct. Other subjects in the series will be Bette Davis, Ava Gardner and Elizabeth Taylor.

Each is "a star, and a symbol of the period when she worked." Moreau said: "Why focus on other actresses? Moreau said it may not have been an act of generosity, but of 'profound egotism.' Perhaps in some way she was working out her relationship to film, first in front of the camera, and since 1976, spending more and more time behind it."

Warren Beatty has also been both director and actor, sometimes simultaneously. When interviewed he was asked how he deals with the split.

"The main problem is that it can't be done," he said. "You pretend to do it." Then he elaborated: "A good actor has to strive to be out of control but be in control of being out of control. A good director must be in control, but to maintain flexibility he must sometimes be out of control."

Which all makes perfect sense, but probably explains why he's afraid that if he talks, he'll be misquoted. He had never seen *Reds* since its completion, he said, and the evening that it was to be screened at the Cinematheque he was planning to see *The Lindsay Kemp Company's Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Beatty proceeded to keep quiet — most politely — on a whole list of subjects, political, personal and professional. As Lillian Gish's mother used to say: "You can get through life with bad manners, but it's much easier if you have good manners."

## Different view of USSR

By LENORE SKENAZY  
Special to The Jerusalem Post

THE UNWILLINGNESS of the Soviet Union to let out Jews stems from domestic and not foreign considerations, according to the retiring *New York Times* correspondent in Jerusalem, David Shipler.

Shipler served as *The Times* correspondent in Russia from 1975-79 before becoming the paper's Jerusalem bureau chief. Shipler recently gave a talk entitled "Reflections on Moscow from Jerusalem" at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute.

"I don't believe that the Soviet authorities find emigration any less threatening than democratization," he said. Because the Soviet regime "approaches totalitarianism," he said, political freedom of choice is anathema. By allowing people to leave "you're giving them a vote," he said, and this cannot be allowed.

People outside of Russia tend to assume that the Soviet authorities determine their emigration policy on the basis of external pressure, said Shipler. But, he said, this is not the case.

The argument that the USSR has curtailed Jewish emigration because so many Jews went not to Israel but to the U.S., for instance, is unfounded and unfounded.

"The first time I heard that argument was here, from Jewish Agency chairman Arye Dulzin," said Shipler.

In Moscow, "nobody ever mentioned this," he said. "The drop-out rate, was a term I never heard until here." (Drop-outs refer to those Jews who left Russia and chose not to live in Israel.)

"If the Soviets hear an argument in the West and can turn it around and use it, they do," he said. "They have usurped that argument."

As a journalist in Moscow, he befriended Anatoly Shcharansky. At the end of Shcharansky's trial, he was sentenced to three years in prison and 10 years in a labour camp for "treason" — the physicist's last statement was read to the crowd outside the courthouse by Leonid, his brother. "When he finished," said Shipler, "the whole crowd began to sing *Hatikva*. The next time I heard it was in Haifa, when Sadat came to visit Begin, and I almost wept."

During his four years in Moscow, Shipler met with many Jewish dissidents and refuseniks, some of whom later managed to emigrate. One of them, Dina Beilin, shared the dais with him Wednesday night.

Shipler ends his five-year assignment in Israel in two weeks and then returns to Washington, where he plans to write a book about Israel.

## Taking evidence from a child

LAW REPORT / Asher Felix Landau

kiosk to buy ice cream. The applicant enticed her to enter the kiosk and committed the indecent act. He then tried to take her to the back of the building, but she cried "mother, mother," and he then released her. It was admitted that her mother was not there at the time.

The child was examined by a youth interrogator who refused to allow her to testify in court, as this would cause her emotional harm. The interrogator, however, testified and handed in her report of the child's statement to her including her own opinion and impressions. The applicant denied the charge.

He had made two statements to the police. In the first he denied that he had touched a child at all. In the second statement, however, he admitted having touched a child because she stood in his way, and she then bought ice cream and left the kiosk shouting "mother, mother."

The magistrate accepted the evidence of the child to the youth interrogator and rejected the applicant's denial. He also held that the

child's evidence was supported by the applicant having made conflicting statements to the police.

THE APPLICANT appealed to the District Court, which dismissed the appeal, and he then applied for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court. In giving his decision, Justice Meier Shamgar dealt with counsel's argument that although the youth interrogator's report as to the evidence of the victim before her, and the facts of the case, were admissible as evidence in court, her impressions as to the child's credibility were inadmissible. It was true, he said, that there were two schools of thought on this subject, but he favoured the view that this evidence was admissible.

It had been suggested that the basis for its admissibility was to be found in section 8 of the Law of Evidence Revision (1955), which required a youth interrogator who acted on the request of the police to submit to the police his or her conclusions. This, however, was not the

basis for his opinion which followed from the very nature of the subject and the special legislative scheme laid down in the law.

The conception enshrined in the law was the drawing of conclusions from a subsidiary source out of the desire to prefer the best interests of the child and waive the benefit of direct observation and impression. This waiver made it impossible for the court to judge the demeanour of the child directly, as required by section 53 of the Evidence Ordinance, and the legislature therefore introduced the youth interrogator not only to take the child's statement, but also as a person whose impressions, based upon experience and professional understanding, would be placed before the court as a substitute for the direct impression of the court, now made impossible.

The legislature had laid down a special form of examination, not only in the sense that the interrogator conducts an investigation outside the court but also that the conclusions of that investigation are submitted to the court. There is no good reason for omitting these conclusions, which may be of great assistance. The President stressed that the final judge of the weight and credibility of the child's statement was the court itself, which could be assisted by the opinion of the interrogator as above explained.

Justice Shamgar held that there was sufficient evidence in the present matter to support the conviction without reliance on the interro-

gator's impressions; this was therefore not a suitable case to be argued on appeal as to which of the two schools of thought he had mentioned was correct.

In regard to the sentence, the President held that only in the most exceptional circumstances was there justification for an appeal to the Supreme Court against a sentence.

imposed by a magistrate, which a District Court had already confirmed. The application for leave to appeal against the sentence would therefore also be dismissed.

Advocate Haim Kasis appeared for the applicant and Tamar Hacker for the State Ministry, for the State. The decision was given on March 8, 1984.



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Pieces performed by the Dance Workshop — Choreography by Prof. Haim Levy Agmon and Paul Blum.

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# Money Matters

## Share market remains dormant

**TEL AVIV.** - Anyone listening to radio reports about yesterday's share market activity may have been misled by the tone of the report. Perhaps because of their three-day break, the radio staff spoke almost breathlessly of 65 issues falling by 5 per cent or more, no less than 5 per cent being marked "sellers only," and so on with other statistics.

This seems to suggest that anything can be made to sound or appear interesting, when in fact it is as flat as lemonade left in the sun. The plain truth is that the action on the share market, in overall terms, is listless in the extreme. No significant rises or falls in the major indices have occurred for some time, and the three days of trading this week have been one long non-event in terms of lack of trend and movement.

Even the bond market, which provided some fireworks on Sunday and Monday in reaction to the May price index, turned quiet yesterday. Volume dropped to less than IS700 million from the IS1 billion level of the previous two days. Bond prices continued to rise, by 1-3 per cent margins, and the bond index added 0.8 per cent, to stand at 211.3.

The share market, in contrast, not only saw a sharp drop in volume, but also a small drop in the non-bank index. The higher turnover of Monday gave way to a volume of barely over IS400 million. Bank shares in the "arrangement," which had run at almost IS400m. by themselves on

### Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By PINHAS LANDAU

Monday, took only IS212m. yesterday, leaving less than IS200m. for the "free" share market.

This was enough to send the free shares down somewhat, as noted. In all, 177 issues dropped in price, 59 by 5 per cent or more and 6 "sellers only." Going up were 144 issues, 27 rising sharply and 2 being "buyers only."

The fall in "free" shares was offset by a half per cent rise in the "arrangement" bank index, so that the General Share Index squeaked out a gain of one quarter per cent. Among the individual sectors, rises of 1/4 per cent each in the specialized financial institutions and insurance sectors were matched by similar declines in the real estate and oil sectors.

On a different front entirely, the Bank of Israel successfully auctioned IS1b. out of the IS2.5b. issue of the second series of Treasury bills. The remaining IS1.5b. will be retained by the bank, for its own purposes and for acting as "market-makers." The yield at the auction was 13.5 per cent, down from last week's 14.19 per cent, and the price level equivalent to this yield was 89, since the bill has 28 days until redemption.

### Announcements

Azoria, the Cial building subsidiary, notified the stock exchange that negotiations are underway regarding the withdrawal of Azoria's subsidiary, Cial Centre Jerusalem, from participation in a project in Jamaica.

Azoria had announced in August 1983 that the Cial Centre Company, of which it owns 50 per cent, had signed a deal worth £30m. to construct 1,500 housing units in Jamaica.

Eagle Military Equipment announced that its general manager, Israel Weissler, had resigned his post in order to become President of Eagle's American subsidiary, Ron Lerner, who has held several senior management posts in the company, will take Weissler's place.

Bank Discount has brought forward the earliest day for exchanging its 2 per cent capital notes into regular 'A' shares, from December 1984 to June 25, 1984.

The Bank of Israel announced the second weekly issue of Treasury bills. The auction will be held on Tuesday and the issue will total IS2.5 billion nominal value, to be redeemed on July 18 (28 days).

**Most Active Issues:**

Leumi	3346	IS68.3m.	n.c.
Hapoalim	3355	IS40.7m.	+40
Mizrahi	3285	IS34.1m.	+72

**Turnovers:**

Share	IS411.1m.
Bond	IS685.3m.
Options	144
Issues down:	177

### ARIDOR/CISKEI

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ing in Ciskei on contract. The doctors have reportedly complained of "primitive or non-existent" work conditions, and some are reportedly unable to practise, due to their not having received work permits.

Lennox Sebe, a school teacher elevated to tribal chief and then president by the Pretoria government, reportedly runs one of the more brutal regimes in Africa. Dozens of commuters were re-

portedly shot down late last year after they declared a boycott of the railways, and torture and imprisonment without trial are said to be rife.

Sebe's brother Charles, formerly minister of defence and security, is in detention, along with a number of members of the president's family, allegedly having plotted to overthrow the president. Sebe was on one of his frequent visits to Israel when the abortive coup was allegedly attempted last year.

### WORK ACCORD

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to the 100 per cent revision.

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad and Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar are due to confer on the matter today. Histadrut sources stressed that the matter is extremely urgent as the government computer is due to print the June paychecks within the next day or two. The Histadrut is insisting that the tax brackets be revised in time for the payment of the June C-o-L increment early next month.

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French franc	69.692
Dutch guilder	94.647
Swiss franc	26.649
Swedish krona	27.695
Norwegian krone	21.462
Danish krone	37.102
Finnish mark	166.52
Canadian dollar	191.59
Australian dollar	166.38
South African rand	38.575
Belgian franc (10)	111.97
Austrian schilling (10)	127.09
Italian lire (100)	92.922
Japanese yen (100)	240.53
Irish pound	139.28
Spanish peseta (100)	573.99
Jordanian dinar	36.100
Lebanese lira	187.36
Egyptian pound	

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Tender No. 158/D-418/P/80 (Flow Control Gates)

Israel Sewerage Project

Greater Dan Region Association of Towns (Sewerage) announces that the last date for the submission of bids for the above-mentioned tender is changed from July 2, 1984, to July 17, 1984, 12 noon.

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## Strange gatekeepers

THE Central Elections Committee has a quasi-judicial standing. But after its performance this week, it must be considered principally as quasi.

On the surface it would appear as if the committee held a long and agonizing discussion not only over the "constitutional" acceptability of Meir Kahane's racist Kach list and the Arab-Jewish Progressive List, but also over the very principle of disqualifying a political grouping from standing for election. Had that genuinely been the case the committee would have honoured its quasi-judicial status.

Instead, it acted - apart from its chairman, Justice Gabriel Bach - along wholly partisan political lines, like the Tenth Knesset which it mirrors. Thus the right wing and religious parties all declined to bar Kahane and all voted to disqualify the Progressive List, while the other parties all voted against Kach and, except for Labour which had some abstentions, voted to admit the Progressive List.

Such partisan voting indicates that the parties did not simply consider the merits of the two cases, but rather considered the impact of their decisions on the voters. And that made the committee not a dispassionate court, but rather an instrument deployed for electioneering.

This was especially true of the right-wing and religious parties. They refrained from rejecting the explicitly racist and anti-democratic Kach list apparently for fear that their voters would not "understand" ejection of the Arab-baiting Kahane. Whatever is said and done under cover of a yarmulke, no matter how much it debases Jewish values, let alone democratic norms, is seemingly considered legitimate by these parties.

They applied no such skewed scruples in the case of the Progressive List. Any leniency here, they feared, would be electorally perilous, though the issues were entirely different. The Progressive List does not have a platform which explicitly counters the basic values of the Israeli polity. Rather the question was whether, concealed from view, the list harbours hidden purposes that represent a danger to the state. That is rather more difficult to judge, especially since the defence minister had earlier decided against invoking the emergency laws to declare them an illegal group. It is, in any case, a judgment that should be made elsewhere, and not in the elections committee.

The truth of the matter is that the committee was beyond its waters. It is basically a mechanism for administering the elections, not for determining constitutional limits. Its purpose is to assure that the technical rules governing the election process are scrupulously observed so that the ultimate results will be deemed legitimate and beyond dispute by the citizenry and the parties.

This is its importance. It is in its element as an umpire, but not as a gatekeeper of democracy. Compelled to play the latter role, it became a group of politicians judging other politicians, on the eve of elections, largely for electoral purposes.

The role of gatekeeper should be transferred to another forum. As long as we do not have a constitution, it is also difficult to lay this role upon the courts. But there is a serious lacuna here to which the next Knesset should address itself.

## The puppet can't dance

SYRIAN Vice-President Abdul-Halim Khaddam's urgent visit to Lebanon this week has underscored the difficulties Damascus is facing in translating its political gains in Beirut into practice.

It has not been sufficient for Syria simply to have set up what is virtually a puppet Lebanese government. It has yet to show that the puppet can dance. And that is somewhat easier said than done - for while Damascus may be in a position to pull most of the strings, it is plainly not in a position to pull them all.

As events of the past few weeks have shown, despite Syria's powerful influence over most of the principals in Lebanon's domestic conflicts, its total lack of leverage over the powerful Christian Lebanese Forces militia has undermined all efforts to implement a workable cease-fire in and around Beirut. And until this is done, the government it has set up cannot even begin to assert its authority.

The one thing that could bring the Lebanese Forces to heel would be massive military intervention on Syria's part - something the Christians obviously fear, going so far as to claim earlier this week that Syrian tanks are back in West Beirut.

This however, is widely viewed as extremely unlikely - both because it would place those Christians in Lebanon currently prepared to play along with Syria in an impossible position, and because Syria itself would be reluctant to embroil itself too deeply in what could become a renewed Lebanese civil war, especially in view of the current political uncertainty in Damascus itself. It is not yet clear just what form such compromise would take, but the signs are that it would be based on Christian concessions to Syria's demand that the Lebanese Army be "dechristianized". That could be symbolized by the replacement of its current commander, by someone more acceptable to Lebanon's Druse and Muslim communities. In return Syria would concede the continued deployment of the various militias, including the Lebanese Forces, in their present areas.

That is perhaps the most Syria can hope for in its present circumstance in Lebanon.

## POSTSCRIPTS

**PS** THE "OLD city of Jerusalem and its walls" has been included in Unesco's list of 136 sites on a World Heritage List. In view of Israel's expulsion from the UN Educational, Social and Cultural Organization, it may seem strange that Israel's capital should have found its way on to the list. But according to Unesco information bulletin, the site was nominated for the list of properties "of outstanding value" by Jordan. The bulletin, announcing this and describing the "property," fails to point out that the Old City and its walls have been under Israel control for the past 17 years.

The report notes that the Old City contains "four synagogues dating from the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries." What it does not say is that these, the Yohanan Ben-Sakai tetrasynagogue complex, were vandalized and wrecked during Jordan's 19-year occupation of the Old City and restored to their pristine dignity and to daily use by Israel.

**PS** THE JOKE amongst cotton growers in the kibbutzim has long been that the minute the jeans craze hits China, there will be a world shortage of cotton and prices will skyrocket. "It's enough if one billion Chinese buy just one pair of jeans each," they said with a smile.

The Chinese are not all wearing jeans yet, and in fact they are the ones who are now lagging. Not only are they not causing a shortage of cotton, they have become the world's largest producer of the fibre. In 1983 their production was over 21 million bales, which is about one third of the total world production. In 1970, China managed to grow only 10 million bales. Experts say that it is only a matter of time before China starts exporting one million or more bales of cotton a year.

ALMOST ANY Palestinian, it asked about the upcoming Israeli elections, will tell you that there is no difference between Likud and Labour. Both are committed to the same goals. Anyway, what has it to do with him? Well, that is one excuse for not wanting to think or not wanting to get involved.

But the elections concern me and any Palestinian as much as anybody. Palestinians also live under the Government of Israel. Any kind of salvagable future Palestinians may have as a nation depends on that government. And should we ever live separately as neighbours, it is that government we will be dealing with. Yet countless Palestinians are far more interested in the American race than in the terribly crucial upcoming Israeli race.

Both of the leading parties and the smaller marginal parties do acknowledge that there is a pressing problem - in fact a burgeoning disaster - that of some 1.5 million Palestinians living within the occupied territories, as well as the pressing problem of the occupied territories themselves. And most will admit that this problem must be solved in the near future and in some absolutely definite way. Yet neither Likud nor Labour has offered any serious discussion or solution about how they would go about resolving this situation.

My contention is that Palestinians themselves could have a significant impact on the Israeli elections by demanding, loudly and insistently, explanations and clarification on how each major party intends to deal with the Palestinians and our demands and by declaring, equally loudly a desire for peaceful coexistence, for an end to the conflict and a move towards real and serious concessions.

PALESTINIANS should examine the field critically. This contest is not simple, nor can anyone or any party be easily categorized. Those Arabs

# A Palestinian looks at the elections

By JAMIL HAMAD

hoping for a Labour victory, for example, are buying a facile and simplistic argument.

The Labour Party held power in Israel for almost 29 years. For some ten years they lived off the fat of the 1967 victory. This military victory, in fact, caused Labour to then view the problems surrounding them in the Middle East from an exclusively military angle. "Security" was paramount. And the military leaders of that 1967 victory began their dizzying political climb.

It was the Labour Party that set the precedents for how Israel was to deal with the Palestinians in the territories. They approached these Palestinians in the occupied areas just as they had those who were swooped up into Israel's 1948 borders. The Arabs were left with only two alternatives - either collaborate or protest in the form of political extremism. Naturally the Palestinians opted for extremism. No other choice was open.

And finally it was Labour who ended up giving carte blanche to the settlers who began pouring - illegally - into the West Bank. Those so-called "extremists" now in custody at the Russian Compound only represent one mainstream of the settler movement that Labour nurtured, or at least condoned, in the West Bank and Gaza.

Then, when the Labour Party became the opposition, they promptly dismissed the unsolved question of the Palestinians and what the prob-

lem meant to the future of Israel: they directed their energies towards restoring their own hegemony. Failing to review the past, they failed to build possibilities for the future. They have failed not only to construct conceivable solutions to the Palestinian problem, but also solutions for the appalling economic and social ills plaguing Israel.

Labour is caught - even paralysed - between the old noble Zionist ideology and ideals and the unpleasant and unpredictable realities of 1984. These are diametrically opposed. Labour is leery of admitting such contradictions. Yet they themselves continue to make them. How can they propose offering "land for peace," while proposing to annex the Jordan Valley settlements and hold on to Israeli settlements in "Judea" and "Samaria"?

WHAT ABOUT THE Likud? Perhaps Palestinian instincts at least about the Likud are accurate. Apparently for these Israelis, the Arabs living within the borders they claim count for nothing. They do not even see us - except as an element to be forcibly discouraged and shown less than politely to the door and asked to leave. Likud has also proven that it is not only incapable of dealing with Israel's social and economic woes but can, in fact, only exacerbate them. In addition, they are having a serious problem producing the charismatic father figure that Israel always seems in need of.

Yitzhak Shamir is not a Menachem Begin nor can he ever be. So far Ariel Sharon is the only leader of the sort to have emerged from this particular political element, and he seems to be an embarrassment to them. Enough said.

On the other hand, political moderates cannot overlook the fact that it was the Likud government that made peace with Egypt, and it was Menachem Begin who put his name to the Camp David accords, though the Likud failed to fulfil all - and to the Palestinians, the most crucial - of the Camp David agreement's demands.

What of the left? There is today no significant and powerful left in Israel. The peace parties failed to develop meaningful alliances with moderate peace-seeking elements among the Palestinians. Real and important links in the territories would have been a power to conjure with indeed. The dovish left, instead of going to Hebron, Nablus or Bethlehem, went to London and to Harvard. One cannot deny, however, that there is an extremely powerful groundswell of grassroots sympathy and support for the aims of the left - mostly because of Israel's Lebanon catastrophe. Someone has to find a means to forge this reaction into a political tool and a cohesive (and loud) voting bloc.

The problem here is that the major parties are not debating the real issues: Lebanon, the economy, the future of the West Bank and Gaza. I

see only personalities vying for the spotlight. None of them is going to raise the issue of the occupied territories and their 1.5 million Palestinian inhabitants if those Palestinians do not raise it themselves.

I WANT to see Palestinians realize their implicit power for influence on this race. Our traditional passivity is no longer realistic; we cannot keep it up nor get away with it. This kind of apathy is just laziness. Popular attitudes reflect only a refusal to think.

I have expressed attitudes and stressed certain facts about the leading political elements in order to provoke Palestinians to re-evaluate their facile attitudes of black versus white, good versus bad, concerning the Israeli elections. And I want Palestinians to understand that there is a choice. Likud and Labour are not the same. Neither does one represent the bad Israelis versus the good Israelis.

This issue of the West Bank and Gaza is, frankly, an uncomfortable one for Israeli politicians of every ilk. They will push it to the bottom of the agenda if we allow it. We can, however, speak out. We can and must insist that our future be an immediate matter for debate between the leading parties. We can remind Israeli moderates that there is a place for dialogue with Palestinian moderates. We Palestinians are in a unique position to defuse a lot of Israeli distrust and insecurity, which could have a significant impact on how many Israelis ultimately decide to vote.

It is not so much a question of supporting this or that party or attempting to help or hinder either leading party. It is a question of addressing the good men and women in each party and striving to make sure that we - 1.5 million people living under Israel's rule - are not overlooked and that Israelis clearly understand that we and our future do count.

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## PADDED CELL MENTALITY

By D'VORA BEN SHAUL

valent at the moment, which seems to be that hikers should pay the expenses incurred by their rescue. The Nature Reserves Authority recently debated whether a hiker who was rescued in the Negev should be sued.

First of all, let's look at the matter of cost. True, the \$58,000 they say it cost to rescue 17-year-old Ruth Rosemeir in the Golan last week is a lot of money. But the first question one has to ask is: just who carried out the rescue? The IDF? Very well. We have been told for the past 35 years that we have to pay the highest taxes in the world because we must support and equip such an armed force.

I see no daily accounting of just how each reconnaissance flight over our neighbour's yard or each evacuation of a wounded soldier from the

Lebanese enclaves is costing the state.

It seems that a citizenry can purchase such equipment as helicopters - but should it have personal need of the equipment, it must pay for the privilege.

An argument is, of course, that last week's accident could have been prevented. True enough. So, in my opinion, could the Lebanese casualties.

Of course it could have been prevented: most accidents could. There's the whole matter of safety ... but in the end, the safest place of all is a padded cell. Is that what we want?

Israelis have always been hikers and climbers, ever since the earliest Jewish settlements here. In fact this training, the very daring involved has been one of the things that have made the Israeli what he or she is and

the army what it is.

I am sure it would be possible to make rules limiting hiking to something like a kindergarten expedition, with the teachers in front and her pupils in a crocodile behind her, but I doubt if this would satisfy anybody.

HAVING MYSELF experienced the joy in my youth of scaling Masada with only a rope between me and nowhere (who would allow that today?) and of clambering in and out of caves along the Dead Sea with a pair of grapples and a rope ladder, I hesitate to think what kind of hiking we are going to have if this judgmental attitude continues to be fostered.

Inside the nature reserves, one can understand that the authority is nervous, since it has been sued by the families of careless hikers who failed to heed the warnings. It is, as a matter of fact, what they get for

deciding to make people pay to enter the reserves.

But in the wide open spaces, where there is still, thank heavens, a place to breathe free, people should be able to hike as they wish, and if there is an accident, it should be dealt with in the best way possible.

I seriously doubt whether the crew of that rescue helicopter in the Golan learned less on this mission than on a routine training flight, whose cost is shrouded in mystery.

If anything should be done, it is the stepping up of safety education for hikers in the schools. Do you know a teenager who has seen a training film on hiking or survival and safety in the desert? Perhaps this would be a more worthwhile project for the authorities than trying to think up ways to keep people from going where it might be dangerous.

Maybe the Broadcasting Authority could produce some safety films for hikers? The scenery alone would ensure them better audiences than most of the programmes offered.

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## READERS' LETTERS

### RELIGIOUS LABELS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In your report of June 12 concerning the accreditation of the elementary school in Magdiel, "which is sponsored by the M'sorati Movement (Conservative)," you state that "most of the pupils come from non-religious families," thus equating "non-religious" with "non-Orthodox."

May I call to your attention that the world-wide Conservative Movement stands for kashrut, daily prayer, holiday observances, intense Jewish education, love and support for Israel, etc., etc. In the 58 years in which I lived in the United States, the land of my birth, I was respectfully looked upon by Jews and non-Jews alike as a "practicing" Jew. For the past 15 years, since making aliyah, I find myself looked down upon and often scorned because I am not Orthodox.

You do an injustice to the millions of non-Orthodox. But worse, you do a disservice to our country by repeating "non-religious" when "non-Orthodox" is applicable.

Perhaps I am naive, but I still hope to live to see the day when all Israelis will really be *Avot Akad* and no label be placed on us because of our religious practices. And if it is not granted in my lifetime, may my granddaughter, who is about to make aliyah, be ensured full citizenship in the eyes of our people as well as under the laws of our country.

HANNAH STONE BARGTEIL  
 Jerusalem.

### ONLY ONE CHOICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Although the letter, "No-body to vote for" (June 1) makes some attempt to spell out the bankruptcy of Israeli politics, I cannot agree with the writer that there is no choice for the voter in the forthcoming election.

The answer, if one analyses the political and economic situation today, reveals that there is really only one choice if the country is to be saved from complete disaster. After nearly seven years in office, the Likud government cannot claim credit for any achievement whatsoever, and this despite the fact that Mr. Begin signed the peace treaty with Egypt, which is today still only a piece of paper. The economy has never been so bad. The morale of the nation is low and there is both verbal and physical violence, something completely unknown in the past. The return to power of the Likud

government in 1981 was a disaster; its return this year would be a catastrophe.

The public needs to elect a party with a sufficiently large majority to enable the government to function according to the dictates of the conscience of its members, unencumbered by any coalition with splinter groups which could hold a dagger at their throats, as has happened during the past seven years. Only the Labour Alignment with its top echelon as presented in its list of candidates, can fill the bill. It has both experience and expertise and could form a strong cabinet which could solve the ills which beset the country.

The choice is, therefore, very clear and it is to be hoped that the voters will pause to consider what is good for the country.

J.S. GRUSS

Ra'anana.

### ARAFAT'S WORDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - Sari Nusseibeh (May 14) is incorrect when he claims that Yasser Arafat has "made momentous statements" indicating he is willing to negotiate with Israel "on the principle of mutual recognition."

Nusseibeh quotes Arafat as declaring in the London Observer: "I address this challenge to all Israelis - a just peace." In the same interview, asked by Patrick Seale: "Was he prepared to recognize Israel?", Arafat replied: "Recognition can only be between states. I haven't the right

to grant recognition - only when I am in power" (The Observer, April 29). This implies that if and when Yasser Arafat is the president of a Palestinian state, he will give consideration to the question of recognition of Israel. How generous.

If Arafat is genuinely interested in a just peace, he should publicly give King Hussein his approval for Jordan to negotiate on behalf of the Palestinians on the West Bank within the framework of UN Resolution 242. DANIEL GRUENBERG  
 Hampton Hill, England.

### HELPING THE FALASHAS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - "Learning to adjust" (June 7) gave a most heartening picture of the achievements of Ethiopian Jewish students in Israel.

A very human drama was recently enacted in the Pediatric Ward of our Medical Center when a 10-year-old Falasha boy, Truma Ingdau, was admitted. He had come on aliyah only three days earlier.

His symptoms were high fever, vomiting and diarrhea, but because of language problems, no one could diagnose his illness, and the lack of communication became a serious factor in his treatment. The child was terrified and the staff was unable to reassure him.

Through a friend in Tel Aviv, actively involved with the Ethiopian community, an interpreter was quickly found and a dramatic transformation took place. The child vomited up an askaris (maw-worm) almost 40 cms. long which had been lodged in his intestines - something not seen in Western medicine for almost a century.

Before he left, the boy was laughing, playing with toys and making drawings for his father. Truma left the hospital not only physically cured, but reassured that in his new country he was among friends.

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### PARTY PROPAGANDA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, - In recent months, many vital programmes had to be cut back or eliminated, entirely due to lack of funds. Yet all of a sudden, there are millions of shekels available for political ads in our daily papers and for brochures and leaflets which are stuffed in our mailboxes or handed out at public gatherings.

I feel that citizens and taxpayers should protest this utter waste of money by informing our respective

political parties who are most guilty of this that they will not receive our vote unless this practice is halted immediately.

In addition we should demand that whatever election information is disseminated by political parties, it should enlighten the voters about their programme and not simply bombard us with meaningless slogans.

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